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TOWN OFFICERS, 1890.

CLERK.

JAMES M. THOMPSON.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

JOHN W. TRUE,

FRANK H. MERRILL,

GEORGE W. HATCH.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

WILLIAM E. BLAKE.

TREASURER.

BENJAMIN W. MERRILL.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

JOSEPH S. TRUE.

COLLECTOR AND CONSTABLE.

BENJAMIN W. MERRILL.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

The Annual Reports of the Town Officers of New Gloucester for the year ending March 9, 1891, are herewith submitted :

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION.

Total valuation of real estate for the year 1890,	\$448,989 00
Total valuation of personal estate for the year 1890,	422,701 00
Total,	<u>\$871,690 00</u>

Number of polls, 300. Poll tax, \$2.50. Rate of taxation, .0105 on \$1.00.

ASSESSMENTS.

For State tax,	\$1,848 31	
County tax,	874 77	
	<u> </u>	\$2,723 08
For support of schools,	\$2,000 00	
Contingent expenses,	1,250 00	
Roads and bridges,	2,000 00	
To pay town note,	1,000 00	
To pay interest on notes and orders,	200 00	
For books and charts for the several schools,	150 00	
Repair of cemeteries,	75 00	
Public Library,	150 00	
Memorial Day,	50 00	
Raising the road near the mill of F. W.		
Winter,	100 00	
Amount of overlay,	204 70	
	<u> </u>	\$7,179 70
Total amount committed to collector,		<u>\$9,902 78</u>

RECEIPTS.

The receipts of the town from February 27, 1890, to February 27, 1891, have been as follows :

Received from the town of Gray, tuition for children of Charles M. Lane for the years 1888 and 1889,	\$27 27
For pauper bills from the town of Gray,	51 80
From the town of Poland, for tuition of scholars for the years 1886 and 1887,	30 00
From H. A. Moseley, for fines and catalogues of the public library,	13 55
From town of Casco, for pauper expenses of H. S. Edwards and cost of suit,	59 82
From town of Oxford, for pauper expenses of J. Morey's child,	1 50
From New Gloucester Grange, for settees,	20 00
From J. W. True, for rent of town hall,	9 00
From J. B. Hammond, for use of town hall,	2 00
From State Treasurer, state school fund and mill tax for 1889,	684 73
From J. P. Grant, for non-resident tax deeds and costs for land sold for taxes of 1888,	5 00
From J. H. Mayall, for non-resident tax deed and cost for land sold for taxes of 1888,	4 25
From W. L. Merrill, for license to peddle,	6 00
From town of Poland, pauper expenses,	91 50
From George E. Whitman Post, G. A. R.,	40 00

Received from New Gloucester Grange, for use of town hall,	\$3 00
From F. W. Winter, for timber on cemetery lot,	57 65
From C. N. Fogg, treasurer, New Gloucester school fund due April 23, 1890,	274 98
From Horatio Sawyer, peddler's license,	6 00
From W. L. Shurtleff, for old hearse, wood, and old fence,	18 00
From B. W. Merrill, treasurer for 1889,	291 20
From B. W. Merrill, collector for 1889,	4,752 80
From A. C. Shaw, for rent of town hall,	9 50
From B. W. Merrill, guardian of Thomas J. Brackett,	135 75
From I. E. Hayes, for taxes of 1888,	7 50
From town of Gray, pauper ex- penses of Melvin Hodgkins,	51 00
From Dennis Edwards, agent on the town farm,	109 75
From H. A. Moseley, for cata- logues sold and fines collected,	11 33
From B. W. Merrill, collector for 1890,	3,500 00
From A. C. Shaw, for use of town hall,	9 00
From Masonic Lodge, for use of town hall,	2 50
	———— \$10,286 38

EXPENDITURES.

The amounts paid from the treasury for the year ending February 28, 1891, have been as follows :

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS FOR 1889.

Paid J. W. True, selectman, assessor, etc., \$74 25

Paid J. M. Thompson, selectman, assessor,		
etc.,	\$69 00	
T. M. Merrill, selectman, assessor, etc.,	52 00	
Joseph S. True, supervisor of schools,	75 00	
B. W. Merrill, collector,	185 78	
B. W. Merrill, services as constable,	6 00	
J. M. Thompson, services as town clerk,	5 00	
C. N. Fogg, services as treasurer of school fund,	6 00	
B. W. Merrill, services as trustee of school fund,	1 00	
E. M. Morgan, services as trustee of school fund,	1 00	
Henry A. Fogg, services as trustee of school fund,	1 00	
L. C. Curtis, services as clerk of board of trustees of school fund,	2 00	
A. L. Richards, services as trustee of school fund,	1 00	
H. E. Blake, services as trustee of school fund,	1 00	
G. W. Plummer, moderator for 1889,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$481 53

SCHOOLS.

DR.

To amount paid for support of schools as per bills approved by supervisor,	\$2,300 73	
Unexpended balance,	1,762 91	
	<hr/>	\$4,063 64

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By unexpended balance Feb. 27, 1890,	\$1,046 66	
Town appropriation,	2,000 00	
State school fund and mill tax due January 1, 1890,	684 73	
New Gloucester school fund due April 23, 1890,	274 98	
Amount received from the town of Poland,	30 00	
Amount received from the town of Gray,	27 27	
	<hr/>	\$4,063 64

REPAIR OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid Geo. Blake & Son, paint, etc.,	\$3 36	
James Stevens, labor,	2 25	
Chase & Stevens, stove pipe,	3 85	
Alonzo Stevens, labor,	17 87	
Burgess, Forbes & Co., paint,	31 55	
I. H. Keith, nails, glass, hooks, etc.,	19 90	
A. A. Hunnewell, labor,	17 25	
C. P. Burgess, labor,	17 50	
	<hr/>	\$113 53

TOWN FARM.

Paid Dennis Edwards, agent,	\$350 00
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TOWN LIBRARY.

Paid Helen A. Moseley, librarian,	\$39 72	
Loring, Short & Harmon, books,	95 70	
Helen A. Moseley, services as librarian		
and extra labor to March 12, 1890,	6 65	
Stevens & Jones, paper,	1 98	
Maine Central R. R., freight,	75	
	<hr/>	\$144 80

SCHOOL BOOKS AND CHARTS.

Paid American Book Co., books,	\$10 37	
McLellan, Mosher & Co., books,	20 00	
Thompson, Brown & Co., books,	15 00	
Ginn & Co., books,	17 50	
D. C. Heath & Co., books,	14 25	
C. B. Goodrich & Co., books,	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$152 12

GEO. E. WHITMAN POST, G. A. R.

Paid Memorial Day expenses,	\$50 00
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CEMETERIES.

Paid H. Ward Johnson, labor and material,	\$10 45
C. A. Winslow, labor,	12 75
W. L. Shurtleff, labor,	4 50

Paid P. C. Burgess, labor in 1889,	\$2 50
P. C. Burgess, labor in 1890,	3 00
W. Jordan & Co., lumber for fence,	77 16
Geo. Blake & Son, nails, paint, etc.,	15 85
Alvin Brown, labor,	12 00
C. O. Merrill, labor,	7 50
W. L. Shurtleff, labor,	43 50
Frank H. Merrill, posts,	33 75
Maine Central R. R., freight,	7 00
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	\$229 96

TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid I. H. Keith, for cloth furnished Rosina Berry and family,	\$11 62
Geo. Blake & Son, for supplies furnished Rosina Berry and family,	11 92
Geo. Blake & Son, for pauper supplies furnished Geo. F. Berry's family,	13 60
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of Geo. F. Berry,	16 00
Town of Gray for pauper supplies furnished Geo. F. Berry's family,	12 50
I. H. Keith, for pauper supplies furnished George F. Berry's family,	7 75
Town of Minot, for pauper supplies furnished Geo. F. Berry's family,	66 91
George A. Morrill, for pauper supplies furnished Daniel Cobb,	17 50
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on Daniel Cobb and family,	22 00
Samuel G. Norton, for supplies furnished Daniel Cobb's family,	12 88
Mrs. Alphonzo Tripp, for care of Mrs. Daniel Cobb,	1 50
Oswald & Armstrong, for clothing for Mrs. Daniel Cobb,	3 68
E. Osgood, for robe and casket for Mrs. Daniel Cobb,	14 00
P. C. Burgess, for burial of Mrs. Daniel Cobb,	2 50

Paid Richard E. Verrill, for board of James A. Verrill, .	\$64 50	
Town of Gray, for medical attendance furnished family of Asa Verrill,	19 29	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on Clarissa Berry,	4 00	
W. H. Wolfe & Co., for pauper supplies furnished Mrs. Lizzie M. Harmon,	52 19	
Town of Oxford, for pauper expenses of James M. Bunker,	23 62	
George Blake & Son, pauper supplies furnished Otis G. Verrill,	10 00	
I. H. Keith, for pauper supplies furnished Daniel Cobb's family,	1 80	
	<hr/>	\$389 76

PAUPERS BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS.

Paid George Blake & Son, for pauper supplies furnished Timothy Berry,	\$32 00	
W. H. True & Son, for pauper supplies furnished Timothy Berry,	9 00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of Timothy Berry,	34 00	
Dr. Jason Walker, for medical attendance on child of Timothy Berry,	5 00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on Anna Robbins (Greenwood pauper),	2 50	
Charles H. Tripp, for board and care of Anna Robbins,	35 00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of Melvin Hodgkins,	51 00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of Jesse May,	26 00	
I. H. Keith, for supplies furnished Melvin May,	2 25	

Paid Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of E. F. Field,	\$14 50	
I. H. Keith, for supplies furnished E. F. Field,	5 50	
	<hr/>	\$216 75

INMATES OF INSANE HOSPITAL.

Paid for board and clothes of Thomas J. Brackett,	\$147 19	
For board and clothes of Edwin G. Titcomb,	152 19	
	<hr/>	\$299 38

ABATEMENTS ON ASSESSMENTS.

1884.

Charles A. Metcalf, poll tax,	\$3 50
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1886.

E. S. Hobart, poll tax, not liable,	\$2 50	
William F. Cobb, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$5 00

1887.

Alvah Morse, balance poll tax, residence unknown,	\$1 72
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1888.

D. S. Ellenwood, poll tax, dead,	\$2 50	
Elbridge Foss, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Leroy Farrar, balance poll tax, residence unknown,	1 25	
Nathaniel Johnson, poll tax, poor,	2 50	
Charles R. Strout, poll tax, poor,	2 50	
James A. Woodbury, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Jacob Strout, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$16 25

1889.

Charles Ayer, disability,	\$2 50	
Timothy Berry, real and personal, poor,	1 96	
William H. Berry, poll tax, disability,	2 50	
Silas Bickford, Jr., poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Arthur Cummings, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	

Henry Cummings, poll tax, 70 years old,	\$2 50	
Albert Dunn, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
John Estes, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Herbert Fickett, poll tax, dead,	2 50	
William S. Marston, poll tax, 70 years old,	2 50	
Alfred I. Nevens, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Henry M. Ricker, personal property, not liable,	81	
W. A. Reed, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Hezekiah Shailer, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Willis Snow, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
James E. Smith, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
George E. Thorne, overvaluation on real estate,	1 35	
Charles Tidd, residence unknown,	2 50	
William S. Witham, poll tax and personal property not liable,	3 85	
	<hr/>	\$45 47

1890.

Benjamin McIntire, disability,	\$2 50	
David W. Merrill, overvaluation on per- sonal property,	4 73	
	<hr/>	\$7 23

Abatement to B. W. Merrill for non-resi- dent land sold to the town for non- payment of taxes of 1889,		\$38 29
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CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid proprietors of Lewiston Journal for printing town reports of 1889,	\$34 00
J. W. True, contingent expenses,	2 15
J. W. True, telegrams in case of find- ing dead body,	1 50
J. W. True, for amount paid for put- ting sawdust on town house floor,	1 00
J. W. True, postage on registered let- ters, etc.,	2 25
S. F. Hilton, attending 23 funerals with hearse,	69 00

Paid Alverdo Estes, for scaling lumber sold to F. W. Winter,	\$1 50	
J. M. Thompson, making abstract of non-resident property,	3 75	
Storer S. Knight, recording two deeds on County records,	1 00	
I. H. Keith, oil, etc., for town house,	7 79	
American Express Co., express on town reports,	45	
Free-Will Baptist Church, for town's proportion of repairing church, on account of a pew owned by the town,	2 00	
A. C. Shaw, for care of town house to December 1, 1890,	37 10	
Henry A. Fogg, sawdust for town house in 1889,	1 00	
Henry A. Fogg, hauling lumber for storm shed in 1888,	50	
J. S. True, contingent expenses,	5 15	
J. W. True, expenses to Augusta with regard to State valuation,	6 75	
B. W. Merrill, getting weights and measures sealed,	1 00	
Coombs & Neal, counsel fees in pauper case,	3 00	
N. P. Haskell, for wood for town house,	12 00	
J. L. H. Greeley, sawing wood for town house,	1 80	
Stevens & Jones, books and stationery,	10 18	
		\$204 87
Paid Portland Savings Bank, note,	\$1,000 00	
Portland Savings Bank, town order,	700 00	
Portland Savings Bank, interest on note and order,	69 52	
James H. Jones, town order,	1,200 00	
James H. Jones, interest on town order,	105 00	

Paid S. H. & A. C. Chandler, for land for cemetery,	\$75 00	
Otis C. Nelson, for interest on town orders,	112 50	
	<hr/>	\$3,262 02

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1888.

Paid P. H. Hubbard, for labor,	\$3 75	
G. W. Ricker, for labor,	3 00	
C. H. Tripp, public water tub,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$9 75

1889.

J. G. Bennett, rent of land for snow fence,	\$10 00	
Frank Cummings, for labor,	3 65	
F. M. Thayer, cedar posts and labor,	50	
E. W. Hill, labor,	2 25	
Alvin Brown, labor,	50	
J. B. Sawyer, labor,	9 24	
J. L. Davis, labor,	60	
J. F. McCann, labor,	90	
G. W. Plummer, labor,	1 25	
C. H. N. Rowe, labor,	3 50	
A. Buck, labor,	7 00	
N. Rideout, labor,	5 42	
C. H. Tripp, water tub,	3 00	
A. L. Richards, labor,	1 05	
C. A. Estes, labor,	1 25	
Wm. C. Eveleth, labor,	11 13	
M. C. Clark, labor,	1 50	
W. Jordan & Co., for lumber,	11 64	
Benj. Brackett, for labor,	2 25	
Walter Brackett, labor,	1 25	
William Witham, labor,	1 25	
H. H. Sawyer, labor,	2 18	
W. A. Clark, labor,	1 50	
P. H. Hubbard, labor,	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$86 31

1890.

Paid W. S. Williams, labor,	\$75 00
B. S. Small, labor,	132 37
T. J. Greeley, labor,	139 87
Benjamin Brackett, labor,	6 00
Walter Brackett, labor,	1 94
S. F. Harmon, labor,	54 75
J. S. Snow, labor,	3 90
Wm. H. Snow, labor,	75
Z. A. Rowe, damage to land by a washout and labor,	15 00
J. A. Tufts, labor,	1 75
N. P. Haskell, labor with team,	545 00
E. N. Gilbert, labor,	1 00
J. H. Ward, labor,	2 81
M. C. Clark, labor,	2 80
Wm. F. Ayer, labor,	3 50
F. H. Merrill, lumber,	28 04
Alvin Brown, labor,	1 18
F. E. Brown, labor,	1 30
C. P. Bennett, labor,	51 00
I. E. Hayes, lumber,	8 00
F. M. Nevens, labor,	8 10
C. H. N. Rowe, labor,	7 00
A. J. Haskell, labor,	1 00
C. O. Merrill, labor,	1 20
Chas. Estes, labor,	1 25
F. H. Morse, labor,	5 50
F. W. Winter, lumber,	4 64
C. A. Winslow, for gravel,	2 80
G. W. Plummer, labor,	1 50
J. B. Bennett, labor,	4 20
H. O. Blake, repairs on road machine,	8 50
Elbridge True, labor,	2 40
G. B. Penney, labor,	1 50
S. W. & J. S. Ayer, labor,	6 28
I. H. Keith, nails,	76
J. A. King, labor,	2 10
D. N. Jordan, labor,	2 70

Paid O. C. Nelson, labor,	\$0 90	
J. E. Bennett, labor,	12 00	
W. H. Eveleth, labor,	45 90	
J. O. Small, labor,	4 00	
H. S. Bennett, labor,	25 50	
Geo. Blake & Son, tools, powder, etc.,	7 32	
W. Jordan & Co., lumber,	14 45	
H. H. Sawyer, labor,	1 87	
Lyman Winslow, labor,	1 22	
Cyrus Larrabee, labor,	4 00	
S. G. Norton, labor,	4 25	
Dennis Edwards, labor,	14 10	
N. G. Tufts, labor,	1 80	
F. P. Greeley, labor,	1 58	
S. E. Witham, labor,	3 00	
Timothy Berry, labor,	1 87	
Nathaniel Rideout,	11 58	
B. W. Merrill, for cash paid out for public watering tubs,	27 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,319 73

RAISING THE GRADE ON ROAD NEAR F. W. WINTER'S MILL.

Paid N. P. Haskell, for labor,	\$48 00	
T. J. Greeley, for labor,	9 37	
C. P. Bennett, for labor,	9 37	
W. H. Eveleth, for labor,	9 37	
B. S. Small, for labor,	9 37	
W. E. Blake, for labor,	12 50	
George Blake & Son, iron,	3 14	
F. W. Winter, lumber,	1 80	
Alverdo Estes, gravel,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$107 92
Total amount of receipts,		\$10,286 38
Total amount of expenditures,	\$9,836 62	
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	449 76	
	<hr/>	\$10,286 38

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Balance in the hands of Treasurer,	\$449 76	
Amount due from Collector,	3,679 70	
State school fund and mill tax for 1890,	640 85	
Railroad and telegraph tax for 1890,	513 83	
New Gloucester school fund, due April 23, 1891,	266 42	
Due from George E. Whitman Post, G. A. R.,	20 00	
Due from Woman's Relief Corps,	12 00	
Due from town of Poland,	100 00	
Due from town of Raymond,	49 25	
Due from town of Greenwood,	37 50	
Liquors and casks,	74 00	
Due from town of Gray, for tuition of schol- ars (estimated),	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,861 31

LIABILITIES.

Amount due the schools February 28, 1891,	\$1,762 91	
Collector's fees for 1890,	148 54	
Town officers' bills (estimated),	300 00	
Outstanding road bills (estimated),	865 00	
Other outstanding bills (estimated),	75 00	
Outstanding orders, O. C. Nelson,	1,450 00	
Due for interest on outstanding orders,	44 00	
Due town of Poland,	15 00	
<i>Balance in favor of Town,</i>	1,200 86	
	<hr/>	\$5,861 31

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

DENNIS EDWARDS, AGENT.

	Dr.	
To Agent's salary,	\$350 00	
Stock bought,	69 50	
Supplies bought,	829 86	
	<hr/>	\$1,249 36

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By product from cows,	\$576	78
Sweet corn,	116	37
Pork sold,	66	64
Stock sold,	101	00
Beans sold,	32	88
Pumpkins sold,	28	00
Cash received for labor off the farm,	29	14
Boarding agent's colts,	40	00
Other sales from the farm,	18	30
Balance against the farm,	240	25
	————	\$1,249 36

AMOUNT OF STOCK AND SUPPLIES ON THE FARM.

Two horses, 11 cows, 1 two-year-old heifer, 1 one-year-old heifer, 1 ton straw, 60 hens, 400 lbs. ground feed, 3 shoats, 6 bushels beans, 40 bushels potatoes, 1 barrel cider, 1 barrel vinegar, 375 pounds pork, 1 barrel soft soap, 35 bushels oats, 75 pounds lard, 1 pound coffee, 2 pounds tea, $1\frac{1}{4}$ barrels flour, 2 gallons molasses, 10 pounds sugar, 2 pounds raisins, 2 pounds cheese, $22\frac{1}{2}$ tons ice, 30 cords fitted wood, 25 tons hay.

We cannot close this report without repeating what has before been said in regard to the management of the farm. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards still maintain their previous record of being the right parties in the right place. Owing to the wet and backward spring, their crop of sweet corn was not what it otherwise would have been, but we think the crops raised will compare favorably with other farms in town. The stock shows that it gets the best of care, and the barn and tools show that he takes a personal interest in his labors. The inmates on the farm are such that he gets but little help from them and is obliged to depend almost entirely upon himself and hired help to carry on the farm. There are three now on the farm: Aaron Rowe, Bela Carpenter, and Daniel Cobb. One of them, Bela Carpenter, requires almost constant attention. Too much praise cannot be given Mrs. Edwards for the manner in which she performs her part of the duties. Everything in and about the house is kept in the most neat and satisfactory condition, and we feel that it is for the best interests of the town that they have been hired for another year.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The pauper bills have been more than usual, on account of the sickness that has prevailed. Mrs. Daniel Cobb was taken sick and we were obliged to take charge of the case and pay for care and funeral expenses. George F. Berry has been unwell for the past two years, and he has moved around from town to town, and running a bill in each one. It is an evil that should in some way be remedied. Daniel Cobb was taken sick and aid was applied for, and he was removed to the town farm, where I think he will be provided with a good home. The family of Mrs. Lizzie M. Harmon was taken down with diphtheria and were sick for a long time, and this town was called upon to pay a bill of \$52.19. With that exception the family has been self-supporting for a number of years.

We have taken the liberty, during the past year, to take a part of the unexpended balances remaining in the treasury and pay a part of the standing indebtedness of the town, to the amount of \$1,200, thereby saving to the town the interest on that amount.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. TRUE,

GEORGE W. HATCH,

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1890.	To received from :	Dr.
	Town of Gray, for tuition of scholars of C. M. Lane for 1888 and 1889,	\$27 27.
	Town of Gray, for pauper bills,	51 80
	Town of Poland, for tuition of scholars for 1886 and 1887,	30 00
Mar. 10.	H. A. Moseley, for fines and catalogues for public library,	13 55
April 15.	Town of Casco, for pauper expenses of H. S. Edwards and cost of suit,	59 82
	Town of Oxford, pauper expenses of J. Morey's child,	1 50
April 22.	New Gloucester Grange for settees,	20 00
	J. W. True, for use of town hall,	9 00
	J. B. Hammond, for use of town hall,	2 00
May 30.	State Treasurer, State school fund and mill tax for year 1889,	684 73
June 28.	J. P. Grant, for non-resident tax deeds for land sold for taxes for 1888,	5 00
July 14.	J. H. Mayall, for non-resident tax deed for land sold for taxes for 1888,	4 25
July 30.	W. L. Merrill, for license to peddle,	6 00
Aug. 29.	Poland, for pauper expenses,	91 50
	Geo. E. Whitman Post, G. A. R., for use of town hall,	40 00
	New Gloucester Grange, for use of town hall,	3 00
Nov. 1.	F. W. Winter, for timber on cemetery lot,	57 65
Nov. 15.	C. N. Fogg, treasurer of New Gloucester school fund, due April 23, 1890,	274 98
Nov. 28.	Horatio Sawyer, license to peddle,	6 00
Dec. 9.	W. L. Shurtleff, for old hearse, old fence and wood,	18 00

1891.

Jan. 6.	B. W. Merrill, treasurer for 1889,	\$2,291 20
	B. W. Merrill, collector for 1889,	4,752 80
	A. C. Shaw, for rent of town hall,	9 50
Feb. 14.	B. W. Merrill, guardian of Thomas J. Brackett,	135 75
	I. E. Hayes, for taxes of 1888,	7 50
	Town of Gray, for pauper expenses of Melvin Hodgkins,	51 00
	Dennis Edwards, agent on town farm,	109 75
	Helen A. Moseley, for catalogues sold and fines collected,	11 33
	B. W. Merrill, collector for 1890,	3,500 00
	A. C. Shaw, for use of town hall,	9 00
	Masonic Lodge, for use of town hall,	2 50
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		\$10,286 38

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By town orders taken up,
Cash in the treasury,

\$9,836 62

449 76

\$10,286 38B. W. MERRILL, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF NEW GLOUCESTER SCHOOL FUND.

FROM APRIL 23, 1890, TO APRIL 23, 1891.

Amount of capital secured by first mortgage on real estate,	\$2,438 00	
Amount of bank stock,	1,537 50	
Amount in Savings Bank,	378 30	
Temporary loan,	200 00	
	————	\$4,553 80
Amount of interest due April 23, 1890,		\$274 98
Amount paid town treasurer,		\$274 98
Interest is paid on all notes to April 23, 1890.		
Amount of interest due the town, April 23, 1891,		\$266 42

CHARLES N. FOGG, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TRUSTEE OF EZRA TOBIE FUND.

Amount received from the fund,		\$30 00
Amount paid to the poor on the town farm,	\$4 00	
Amount paid to the poor of the town not on the farm,	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 00

S. H. CHANDLER, *Trustee.*

New Gloucester, February 20, 1891.

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

RESOURCES.

Appropriated by the town,	\$150 00	
Fines collected and catalogues sold,	11 33	
	<hr/>	\$161 33

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon,	\$95 70	
Helen A. Moseley, services as librarian, and extra labor to March 12, 1890,	6 65	
Helen A. Moseley, services as librarian to March 9, 1891,	39 72	
Stevens & Jones, for paper,	1 98	
Maine Central R. R., freight,	75	
Balance unexpended,	16 53	
	<hr/>	\$161 33

Number of books belonging to the library at the beginning of the present year,	807
Number of books purchased the present year was	96
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Whole number,	903

Our efforts in furnishing a public library appear to be appreciated, as a goodly number of our citizens avail themselves of the privileges conferred by keeping a large number of books in constant circulation. The town will be obliged to furnish more room in the very near future, if the past generous policy of furnishing books is continued, as even now it is very inconvenient for want of space to put the books we already possess.

J. W. TRUE,
Chairman Library Committee.

REPORT OF SCHOOL SUPERVISOR.

To the Citizens of New Gloucester :

The Supervisor of Schools has the honor to present the following report:

Whole number of children in town between the ages of 4 and 21, April 1, 1890,	343
Whole number attending Summer Schools,	184
Average number attending Summer Schools,	159.4
Whole number attending Fall Schools,	201
Average number attending Fall Schools,	167
Whole number attending Winter Schools,	185
Average number attending Winter Schools,	152.2

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Amount due the schools, February 27, 1890,	\$1,046 66
Amount voted by the town for schools,	2,000 00
Amount received from State school fund and mill tax,	684 73
Amount received from New Gloucester school fund,	274 98
Amount received for damages to school property,	3 00
	<hr/> \$4,009 37

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for schools of previous year,	\$763 78
Teachers' wages for Summer Schools,	742 00
Teachers' wages for Fall Schools,	615 50
Teachers' wages for Winter Schools,	1,019 25
Pupil in District No. 12 to attend in District No. 8,	34 00
Pupils' tuition to other towns,	67 35
Town of Pownal, for use of text-books,	1 25
For care of school-houses,	78 20
For cleaning school-houses,	24 00
For supplies,	18 06
Printing and expenses of graduation (estimated),	10 00
Wood and coal for 1891 (estimated),	175 00
	<hr/> \$3,548 39
Balance unexpended,	<hr/> \$460 98

REMARKS.

An examination of the record of our schools during the past year will, without doubt, reveal some grounds for dissatisfaction, as the work done has not, in all cases, been all that could be desired. Errors in judgment have doubtless been made in the assignment of teachers. Efficient discipline has sometimes been lacking, and that interest in their work, without which it is impossible to obtain the best results, has not always been manifested. These instances will at once suggest themselves to those who are familiar with our school affairs. The fact remains, however, that with these very few exceptions, the schools have enjoyed great prosperity throughout the year. The teachers have nearly all been well equipped for and experienced in their work, and faithful in the discharge of their duties. They have, moreover, been sure of retaining their positions as long as their work was satisfactory, for no changes have been made except for cause. Many teachers are, however, either unable or unwilling to teach continuously. The services of these are much less valuable than of those who make teaching a profession, and who will teach the same school throughout the year.

Our school population has decreased even more than our total population. District No. 12 has become so small, having but one or two scholars to attend school, that the Municipal Board, consisting of the Selectmen and Supervisor, deemed it their duty to discontinue the school for the present, as the Revised Statutes provide. The sum of two dollars and fifty cents per week of the school year was set apart to be used in transporting the scholars to and from an adjoining district.

Besides the necessary text-books, copy-books, etc., the Maine Scholars' Manual has been placed in all the schools. This book contains the constitutions of the United States and of this State (which are required by law to be read each term by every scholar who has attained the age of fourteen years), the Declaration of Independence, and Washington's Farewell Address. It is very useful for supplementary reading. Six more Iverson, Blakeman & Co.'s Complete School Charts have also been purchased and put into the different schools. It is estimated that fifty dollars will be sufficient to furnish the books required for another year.

The work in District No. 1 becoming too arduous for the teacher during the Winter Term, owing to the number of scholars and classes, Bertha O. True was engaged to assist during a portion of each session.

The school buildings in Districts Nos. 1, 6, 7, and 8 have been

painted. The other repairs were of a general character. The stoves in Districts Nos. 1 and 2 are getting out of order, and new ones may be needed soon. The usual appropriation for repairs will probably be sufficient for the coming year.

Although the past school year has been longer by one week than we have ever had before, the school money has not all been expended. It is hoped that future appropriations will be sufficiently liberal to add at least one more week to the present number.

Another American flag waves in the breeze when our schools are in session, presented by the Lend a Hand Club to the school in District No. 2.

In conclusion, I wish to extend thanks to the teachers and others for their efforts in behalf of the schools and the courteous treatment which I have received.

JOSEPH S. TRUE,
Supervisor of Schools.

The following is the programme of the graduating exercises at the Congregational Church, February 20, 1891:

Class Motto: "Excelsior."

PRAYER.

MUSIC.

Salutatory: Oration—The History of Greece.	James E. Mitchell.
Recitation—Old Huldah.	* Vesta B. Jordan.
Essay—Clouds.	Ella M. Clark.
Recitation—The Widow's Light.	* Jennie S. Estes.
Oration—Our Toils and Our Rewards.	Albert D. True.
Recitation—The Ride of Collins Graves.	* Bessie M. Brackett.

MUSIC.

Oration—Self-Instruction.	Nelson C. Bennett.
Poem—The Pleasures of Memory.	Hattie B. Haskell.
Recitation—The Legend of Bregenz.	* Stella H. Nevens.
Class Prophecy.	Bessie H. Shailer.
Essay: Valedictory—Changes.	Eva I. Clark.

MUSIC.

Conferring Diplomas. Singing Class Ode.

BENEDICTION.

* Of the Second Class.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

To BENJAMIN W. MERRILL, a Constable of the Town of New Gloucester, in the County of Cumberland, GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of New Gloucester, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on the ninth day of March, A.D. 1891, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1st.

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2d.

To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3d.

To receive and allow accounts.

ARTICLE 4th.

To hear and act on reports.

ARTICLE 5th.

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for contingent expenses.

ARTICLE 7th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools.

ARTICLE 8th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of roads and bridges.

ARTICLE 9th.

To see in what manner the sum of money voted for the repair of roads and bridges shall be raised.

ARTICLE 10th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to keep the school property in repair.

ARTICLE 11th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to keep the cemeteries in repair.

ARTICLE 12th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Public Library.

ARTICLE 13th.

To see what action the town will take in regard to the management and government of the Public Library.

ARTICLE 14th.

To see how much money the town will vote to raise for defraying the expense of the observance of Memorial Day.

ARTICLE 15th.

To see how much money the town will vote to raise to pay outstanding orders for money loaned the town.

ARTICLE 16th.

To see if the town will vote to establish a Free High School, and how much money you will vote to raise for the same.

ARTICLE 17th.

To see if the town will vote to remove the tomb at the Upper Corner Cemetery from the place where it now is to a point near the highway, and how much money you will vote to raise for that purpose.

ARTICLE 18th.

To see if the town will accept the road leading from the Morse road, so called, to the house of John S. Snow.

ARTICLE 19th.

To see if the town will vote to authorize the sale of non-resident land, bought by the town for unpaid taxes, on which the right of redemption has expired.

ARTICLE 20th.

To see if the town will vote to have the "original survey" of the town copied into book form, and how much money you will vote to raise for that purpose.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at the Town House, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at New Gloucester this twenty-sixth day of February, A.D. 1891.

J. W. TRUE,
GEO. W. HATCH,
Selectmen of New Gloucester.

